

In section 2, line 21, strike out "\$4,000," and insert "\$9,000;" lost.

Mr. Bogart offered the following amendment:

Strike out of the twelfth line of the third section, the words "by the present session of the Legislature," and insert "by the Governor of this State, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate;" adopted.

Mr. Meusebach offered the following amendment:

Strike out in section 2, the amounts appropriated for the Guadalupe, (\$21,500,) and the San Antonio, (\$6,000,) and insert in lieu thereof, "that the sum of \$18,000 is appropriated to the Guadalupe;" and "that the sum of \$9,500 is appropriated to the San Antonio."

A bill supplementary to an act to incorporate the city of Lavaca; read second time, and, on motion of Mr. Wilson, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Bogart, chairman of the Select committee, to which was referred a bill to incorporate the Vicksburg and El Paso Railroad company, reported a substitute for the same, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Kinney, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, January 29, 1852.

The Senate was called to order by the President pursuant to adjournment—prayer by the Rev. Mr. Baggerly—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Bigelow presented the petition of sundry citizens of Cameron county; read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Gray presented the petition of Jesse Whiting; referred to the committee on Public Debt.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported back to the Senate a bill supplementary to an act to incorporate the city of Lavaca, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Reaves, chairman of the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following bills correctly engrossed, to wit:

A bill for the relief of George W. Browning;

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Mrs. Nancy Anderson;

A bill for the relief of Alexander McKenzie;

A bill supplementary to an act, approved January 28, 1850,

concerning the incorporation of the city of Nacogdoches ; and
A bill to incorporate the Aransas Road company.

Mr. Hart, from the committee on Public Lands, reported back to the Senate a bill for the relief of the heirs of Stephen Prather, deceased, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Grimes, chairman of the committee on Finance, reported back to the Senate a bill making appropriations for the support of the Government for the years 1852 and 1853, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Grimes, from the same committee, reported back a bill to provide for the payment of interest upon a portion of the debt of the late Republic of Texas, therein named, for the consideration of the Senate.

Mr. Grimes also made the following report :

The committee on Finance have examined the bill for the relief of Alexander Ewing. This bill is to authorize the Comptroller and Auditor to issue a duplicate certificate for one thousand dollars of the debt of the late Republic of Texas, in lieu of an audited claim that was lost in the Auditor's office. The evidence of the existence, at one time, and of the loss of the certificate, appears to be sufficiently authenticated. Your committee can see no good reason why the relief prayed for shall not be granted. They will, however, recommend that "Auditor" be stricken out of the bill, as it is not yet decided that the office of Auditor will be retained.

Mr. Ford made the following report :

AUSTIN, January 28, 1852.

To the Hon. J. W. HENDERSON,

President of the Senate :

The committee on Militia, to whom was referred a bill to provide for distributing public arms to the sixth military division of the State, have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to make the following report :

The counties of Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, Webb, Kinney and Nueces, which constitute the sixth military division, are liable to daily incursions from the Indians. These counties form, in part, our extreme frontier, and can be entered from any point between Eagle Pass and San Antonio, and the former place and the mouth of the Rio Grande, unless immediately at the military posts of the United States. There are many points on the main passes of the Indians to the settlements, which if occupied, would cover and protect the same, yet it would be impossible to do so, owing to the scarcity of wood and water. There are many portions of the sixth military division, that have not been, nor can they be,

adequately defended by an ordinary disposition of troops. The people will have to rely, in some degree, upon their own vigilance and efficiency for defence. The want of arms presents an insuperable obstacle to the operations of citizens. Year after year have the Indians made irruptions into that country. They killed men, carried women and children into a captivity worse than death; and removed or destroyed much valuable property, thus retarding the introduction of emigrants and the development of the resources of the country. This region, exposed from its geographical position, its peculiar topographical features, and the spontaneous productions of the soil, preventing the rapid movement of bodies of men, not inured to the chaparral and the parched plains of the South-west, requires some action on the part of the State to give it protection. By placing arms in the hands of the citizens, in many instances, the tragedies incident to frontiers could be averted, or the perpetrators of these savage acts chastised.

The committee would not be understood as impugning or calling in question the measures adopted by the commandant of the 8th military department of the United States, for the protection of the aforesaid territory. The intention is to indicate facts and not to attribute blame, where it is unsustained by evidence.

The bill is reported back to the Senate, and its passage respectfully recommended.

JOHN S. FORD, Chairman.

Mr. Grimes introduced a bill to enable persons who have lost the evidence of their claim against the late Republic or State of Texas, to obtain duplicates; read first time.

Mr. Bigelow introduced a bill incorporating the Texas and Louisiana Railroad company; read first time.

On motion of Mr. Bigelow, the rule was suspended, bill read second time, and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

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A bill to create the county of Orange; read third time, and passed by a constitutional majority.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had adopted a substitute for the Senate's bill to require the return of field-notes in certain cases; also,

That the House had passed a bill concerning juries; and

Joint resolution in relation to money due the State by the Government of the United States.

On motion of Mr. Sterne, the resolution was taken up and read first time.

On motion of Mr. Bogart, the rule was suspended, resolution read second time, and passed to third reading.

Mr. Dancy moved to amend by striking out "Honorable;" lost.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, a bill concerning surveys of land was taken up and read first time.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the rule was suspended, and bill read second time.

On motion of Mr. Gray, the bill was amended by striking out "1st day of January, 1853," and inserting "31st day of August, 1853."

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the bill was laid on the table.

The following bills were severally read third time and passed, viz:

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Mrs. Nancy Anderson;

A bill for the relief of George W. Browning; and

A bill for the relief of Alexander McKenzie.

A bill supplementary to an act, approved January 28, 1850, concerning the incorporation of the city of Nacogdoches; read third time.

Mr. Merriman offered the following amendment:

Add at end of section 3, "that the powers given by this act to the corporation therein named, shall extend to, and may be exercised by the corporation of the city of Galveston;" rejected.

The bill then passed.

A bill to incorporate the Aransas Road company; read third time, and passed by a constitutional majority.

A bill to incorporate the Vicksburg and El Paso Railroad company, together with the report of the Select committee, offering a substitute therefor, was read, substitute adopted, and bill ordered to be engrossed.

A bill to incorporate the Brazos and Colorado Railroad company; read.

Mr. Dancy offered to amend by adding an additional section, to be section 31; adopted.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed.

A bill to establish the New Orleans, Texas and Pacific Railway company, for the extension of the New Orleans, Algiers and Opelousas Railroad through Texas, together with the report of the committee on Internal Improvements, offering amendments thereto, was read. The 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th amendments of the committee were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Eddy, the 6th amendment was amended by striking out "ten," and inserting "four."

Mr. Wilson offered the following amendment to the sixth amendment of the committee :

Strike out "four miles," and insert "eight sections of 440 acres each, to be located on any unappropriated public domain;" adopted, and amendment as amended was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Eddy, the bill was laid on the table.

Joint resolution instructing our Senators, and requesting the Representatives from Texas, to procure the passage of a law providing for the payment of the members of the company of Capt. William K. Elliott of Shelby county; read and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Taylor moved to reconsider the vote which concurred in the amendments of the House to a bill for the liquidation and payment of the debt of the late Republic of Texas, which motion was, on motion of Mr. Wilson, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Bogart, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock p. m.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Senate met—roll called—quorum present.

Mr. Hart moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock; carried by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Bogart, Burks, Eddy, Hart, Reaves, Taylor, Truit and Williams—8.

NAYS—Messrs. Dancy, Davis, Duggan, Grimes, Merriman and Wilson—6.

FRIDAY, January 30, 1852.

The Senate was called to order by the President, pursuant to adjournment—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Dancy offered the following amendment to the journal :

Strike out "3 o'clock," and insert "met about 25 minutes before 3 o'clock, as the clock had been moved forward;" rejected by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Bigelow, Dancy, Doane, Duggan and Scott—5.

NAYS—Messrs. Bogart, Burks, Davis, Eddy, Grimes, Hart, Hill, Merriman, Meusebach, Reaves, Taylor, Williams and Wilson—13.

Mr. Gray offered the following amendment :

After the word "met," insert "pursuant to adjournment, according to the clock in the Senate chamber, the index of which